



St. Gaspar del Bufalo Catholic Church

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“We must let it be known how the Blood of Christ cleanses the souls and sanctifies them, particularly by means of the sacraments.”

SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME/YEAR C

FEBRUARY 16, 2025

**“Blessed are you who are poor,
for the kingdom of God is yours.”**

LUKE 6:20

Bishop Kevin C. Rhoades
Diocese of Fort Wayne - South Bend
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St Gaspar On-Line Giving Site:
<https://www.osvhub.com/st-gaspar-church/funds>
Saint Vincent de Paul 260-582-4375

LOOK US UP ON FACEBOOK
Gaspar Del Bufalo
Please, send any info for Facebook to
Pam Neu: msnneu@yahoo.com

Office Hours

Tuesday and Thursday: 8:00am to 4:00pm

Confessions

20 Minutes before each Mass

Saturday and Sunday

Wednesday 8:30am to 9:00am

Saturdays 9:00am to 10:00am

except first Saturday of the Month.

*You can also schedule a private
one by calling the office.*

Adoration

Wednesday 8:30am to 9:00am

Precious Blood Adoration

First Tuesday of the Month

6:00 pm to 7:00pm

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday	4:30 PM	✝ Kathleen Costello
Sunday	7:30AM	People of the Parish
	10:00AM	✝ Charlie Kuhn
Monday	8:00 AM	NO MASS
Tuesday	8:00 AM	✝ Lynn Funk
Wednesday	8:00AM	✝ Mary Ellen Kress
Thursday	8:00 AM	✝ Charlie Kuhn
Friday	8:00 AM	✝ Landez Brothers

**One-
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DONOR
MATCH
up to
\$400,000.**

If you are making a donation towards the \$400,000.00 Pledge, Please specify on your check or by writing a note that it goes to that specific pledge. Thank you for your very generous gift giving!

CAPITAL CAMPAIGN

Because of your very generous giving, the matching donor amount doubled so far is **\$192,949.51** of the \$400,000. goal. God Bless you for helping St. Gaspar Parish reach our goal!

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

The Sacramental Presence is related to Easter— **Christ appeared only to those who knew Him** in some way—to Magdalene, Peter, John, all the disciples. But He never appeared to Pilate, Herod, or Caiaphas.

The extra Presence is only for friends who want to become better friends.

Please join us on Wednesdays from 3:00– 6:00 PM. We must have two people in the church at all times.

There is a sign up sheet in the gathering area.

EXODUS 90– Download the App— for MEN over 18. Meet Wednesday evenings after Adoration (5:00-6:00). Contact Deacon Ray Krouse for more information.



TRIVIA NIGHT
\$5.00 per person

Please join us THIS Friday, February 21, 2025 at 6:00 PM! Ask your friends to join us for the 4Th Annual Trivia Night! Please bring snacks to share with everyone. Bring your own drinks as well. The cost will be \$5.00 per person. If you can't fill a whole table but still want to participate, **please come!** We will place you with others that do not have a full table. The theme is Hawaiian. We encourage you to dress up and decorate the tables in the Hawaiian theme. We will give all entry money back! There will be prizes for first and second place in the Trivia Questions. There will also be prizes for the best decorated table, and the best dressed Hawaiian. Please text Karen at 336-1703 or call the church at 854-3100 to get signed up.



The Knights of Columbus will be serving a pancake and sausage breakfast February 23rd after the 10:00 AM Mass. Please mark your calendars and support our St. Gaspar's Knights of Columbus.

Rekindle the Fire Men's Conference

If you would like to carpool to the coliseum for the Men's conference on Saturday, February 22nd please contact Kevin Strater at 260-894-1073. They will be meeting in St. Gaspar parking lot at 7:00 AM.

February 9, 2025 Collections	
Weekly Collection	5,374.00
Children's	5.00
votives	58.10
Capital Campaign	698.00
Rosary	1,350.00
K of C Breakfast	312.00
Flowers	200.00
Immaculate Conception	60.00
Christmas	340.00
All Saints	60.00
Ascension	60.00
Nigerian Mission	200.00
First Offering	60.00
Assumption	60.00
Latin America	50.00
Black & Indian	50.00
Catholic Relief	50.00
Holy Land	60.00
Home Missions	50.00
Catholic Commun.	50.00
Peter's Pence	50.00
Retirement for Rel.	120.00
Pentecost	150.00
Catholic university	50.00
World Mission	50.00
Human Development	50.00
<i>Thank you for your generous giving</i>	

February 9, 2025 Collections	
Catholic Charities May	50.00
Catholic Charities Dec.	100.00
Total	\$9767.10
<i>Thank you for your generous giving</i>	

THANK YOU FROM PARISHIONER

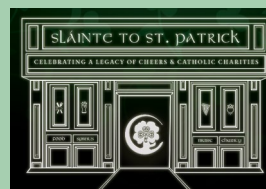
Thank you to the St. Vincent De Paul "Angels" who assisted in finding a bed and dresser for my nephew after a fire in his home. They lost everything. Thankfully they have a place to stay and no one was injured. Your help, and prayers are greatly appreciated! We are so blessed to be part of such a wonderful and caring community! God Bless you!

St. Vincent de Paul Society



Need assistance with rent/utilities?
Contact SVDPS at 260-582-4375.
Leave your name, number and a brief explanation of need. A Vincentian will return your call within 24 hours.

St. Vincent De Paul will meet Wednesday, February 26, at 6:00 PM in the Gaspar Center.



WHAT: Join us for an exclusive indoor St. Patrick's Day party: Live Irish entertainment
Authentic Irish Cuisine & Drinks
Exciting Auctions & Raffles in Benefit of Catholic Charities' Mission
VIP Whiskey Tasting

WHEN: March 15, 2025 6:00 PM to 10:00 PM
WHERE: Mirro Center/ 10622 Parkview Plaza Dr. Fort Wayne, IN 46845

Tickets: Tickets are now on sale at:
www.ccfwsb.org/stpatrick
Standard tickets include dinner+2 beer/
wine drinks
Tables available
VIP Whiskey Tasting



40 Days for Life– Spring Campaign

Join Right to Life of Northeast Indiana on Tuesday, March 4th at 5:30 PM in front of Planned Parenthood for a brief prayer and message to begin our 40 Days for Life spring campaign. Planned Parenthood is located at 2930 Lake Ave, Fort Wayne, IN 46805. Parking is available at the Right to Life office on 3106 Lake Ave. The spring campaign runs from March 4th to April 13th. For more info please visit www.ichooselife.org/40days or call 260-471-1849.



Legislative Forum

Join the Right to Life of Northeast Indiana on Saturday, March 8th at 8:30 AM for breakfast and our 23rd Annual Legislative Forum to hear updates on pro-life legislation from elected officials. The Forum will be held at Indiana Tech University in the Multi-Flex Theater, 1600 E. Washington Blvd, Fort Wayne, IN 46803.

Spring Banquet

Join the Right to Life of Northeast Indiana for the 4th Annual Spring Banquet. Come celebrate our 51st year of defending innocent human life on Saturday, April 12th, hosted this year at Mirage Banquet Hall in Decatur. Doors open at 5:30 pm, and the program begins at 6:30 pm. To purchase a table, visit ichoose-life.org/springbanquet.

ASH WEDNESDAY IS A LITTLE OVER TWO WEEKS AWAY!

Mass times will be **8:00 AM** and **6:00 PM** on Wednesday, March 5, 2025.

Stations of the Cross will begin on Friday, March 7, at 7:00 PM. We will have Stations of the Cross on Wednesday's at 6:00 PM with soup afterwards. There is a sign –up sheet in the kitchen to bring soup. **Thank you!** to all of those who help with this great service to our church community! We are very blessed with some talented cooks!

FISH FRY DATES



Friday, March 7, 2025 4:00 PM-6:30 PM
Friday, March 21, 2025 4:00 PM-6:30 PM
Friday, April 4, 2025 4:00 PM-6:00 PM



NATIONAL Eucharistic Revival

GO WALK WITH ONE

We are all called to evangelize, and thanks to the gift of the Holy Spirit, we are well-equipped for this mission. It may not mean spreading the Gospel in a foreign land or going door-to-door with the Good News—and it may require overcoming some fears—but the Lord is asking each of us to step out of our comfort zone and evangelize one-on-one. There is someone in your life *right now* whom Jesus longs to call to himself. He wants to spark a relationship with them and bless them with his sacraments. In this Year of Mission, Catholics across the U.S. are saying “yes” to a special form of heart-to-heart accompaniment called the *Walk With One* initiative. This is your opportunity to be God’s instrument in the life of another person. Imagine how our families, neighborhoods, and country will be transformed if every active Catholic answers this call!



The Knights of Columbus will meet February 19, 2025. Rosary begins at 6:45 with Meeting beginning at 7:00 PM

The Servus^{Lecture} Omnium

MARCH 4, 2025

Al for the Common Good

University of St. Francis North Campus gym

Join us on Fat Tuesday for breakfast as Tim Connors discusses “Al for the Common Good.”

7:00 am Blessing from the Most Rev. Kevin C. Rhoades, Bishop of the Diocese of Fort Wayne-South Bend

7:10 am Mardi Gras Breakfast

7:45-8:45 a.m. Speaker/Q&A

Tickets are \$25 in advance, \$30 at the door \$200 for a table Register: go.sf.edu/servus-omnium

Baby Bottles for the Christ Child Society

Please return your bottle with your spare change to the parish **this weekend!** Place them in the cardboard box in the gathering area. **The organization is grateful for your generosity and support!** To learn more about the Christ Child Society of Fort Wayne. Please visit www.christchildsfw.org.

Ladies!



Join us in February for Kingdom Builders

Child of God ~ We often forget the honor it is to call the God of the universe ~ Our Father. Being made in His image means that our lives have the power to echo back His love. Ladies ~ Join us in February to embrace the power, love, and authority given to us His beloved daughters.

Tuesday, February 18, 2025 from 7:00pm - 8:30pm

St. Mary of the Assumption Catholic Church - Avilla

 *Kingdom Builders*
www.BuildingThroughHim.com

February birthdays



2/1 Geraldine Brown
2/3 Ellen Gephart
2/5 Tamila Kelty
2/5 Madalitso Didier
2/7 Kaleb Strater
2/8 Jacob Lock
2/11 Michael Klein
2/14 Joe Patton
2/14 Regina Ley
2/20 Janet Schoenle
2/22 Traci Blaize
2/23 Laura Berghoff
2/27 Tony Jones

2/1 Leah Baranowski
2/4 James Burns
2/5 Scherrie Hohenstein
2/6 Gerald Hall
2/8 William Creigh
2/9 Tracy Strater
2/13 Robert Berghoff
2/14 Robert Jordan
2/14 Elaina Didier
2/22 George Vandermeir
2/23 Pamela Baker
2/26 Pamela Neu
2/28 Daniel Morris

February 22-23, 2025					
Altar Cloth: Mary Krouse			Altar Flowers: Joe Ryne		
Ushers and Greeters			Altar Servers		
4.30PM	7:30AM	10:00AM	4.30PM	7:30AM	10:00AM
Tony Ley	Jeff Strong	Rebecca Lock	Cole Lake	Kaleb Strater	Chelsea Seibert
Regina Ley	Dave Putman	Maddie Lock	Sawyer Christner	Sam Strater	Brayden Seibert
Proclaimers: Saturday and Sunday			Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion		
4:30 PM	7:30AM	10:00AM	4:30 PM	7:30AM	10:00AM
Lisa Owens	Tracy Strater	Elena Lock	Margaret Baskett	Dave Putman	Deacon Ray Krouse
	Kaleb Strater	Deb Sieber	volunteer	Cathy Putman	Mary Krouse
			volunteer	Kevin Strater	volunteer
Proclaimer Daily Masses			Collections		
February 18	Maddie Lock		February 18	Mary Krouse	Nancy Goldsmith
February 25	Elena Lock		February 25	Laura Weaver	Vicki Domer
March 4	Tim Worman		March 4	Margaret Baskett	Nancy Goldsmith
March 11	Mary Krouse		March 11	Mary Krouse	Nancy Goldsmith
Please call Karen 260-336-1703, if you are unable to serve. Thanks					

**FROM THE CATECHISM:
PART ONE: THE PROFESSION OF FAITH
SECTION TWO I. THE CREEDS
CHAPTER THREE ARTICLE 9
"I BELIEVE IN THE HOLY CATHOLIC
CHURCH"**

Paragraph 1. THE CHURCH IN GOD'S PLAN
Symbols of the Church

753 In Scripture, we find a host of interrelated images and figures through which Revelation speaks of the inexhaustible mystery of the Church. the images taken from the Old Testament are variations on a profound theme: the People of God. In the New Testament, all these images find a new center because Christ has become the head of this people, which henceforth is his Body. Around this center are grouped images taken "from the life of the shepherd or from cultivation of the land, from the art of building or from family life and marriage."

754 "The Church is, accordingly, a sheepfold, the sole and necessary gateway to which is Christ. It is also the flock of which God himself foretold that he would be the shepherd, and whose sheep, even though governed by human shepherds, are unfailingly nourished and led by Christ himself, the Good Shepherd and Prince of Shepherds, who gave his life for his sheep.

755 "The Church is a cultivated field, the tillage of God. On that land the ancient olive tree grows whose holy roots were the prophets and in which the reconciliation of Jews and Gentiles has been brought about and will be brought about again. That land, like a choice vineyard, has been planted by the heavenly cultivator. Yet the true vine is Christ who gives life and fruitfulness to the branches, that is, to us, who through the Church remain in Christ, without whom we can do nothing.


MEN'S REGIONAL CHRIST RENEWS RETREAT

All men 18 and over are invited to attend
March 22-23, 2025

here at Immaculate Conception Church.

Register today by using the QR code or email
dmfischer5@frontier.com

Christ Renew's Retreat weekend is an opportunity to refocus, setting aside everyday life. It gives you an chance to enter a quiet and prayerful atmosphere focused on reconnecting with the Lord.

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